

# Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter

April 2006

## Montana 4-H “Learn by Doing” PHOTO CONTEST

Hey, is that a camera in your hand? Get clicking and enter the “Learn by Doing” Clover Photo Contest. Deadline is May 15. If you’re a Montana youth under 18 years old, enter a photo of yourself or your friends involved in experiential learning through Montana 4-H, and you just might win \$100. **Need ideas?** How about photos of kids working on 4-H projects, doing after-school 4-H activities, participating in 4-H camp, volunteering through 4-H or trying something new through 4-H? Since adults and teens are there to help 4-H’ers explore new challenges and master skills, we want to see them pictured, too. **One \$100 prize and two \$50 prizes** will be given for our favorite photos that show pictures of kids *learning by doing* through Montana 4-H. All entries may be used in the 4-H Clover magazine and project selection guide or kept for use in other 4-H publicity materials. (Adults and MSU Extension employees and their families are not eligible for the cash prizes, but they can donate photos to help publicize Montana 4-H youth development.) Photos will be judged on how well they express the Montana 4-H “**Learn by Doing**” theme and on the overall quality of the photo. Don’t forget that we prefer photos that *show 4-H’ers with adult or teen mentors*. (Parents count!)

**Tips for taking great photos:** Get *close* to the subject. Take photos in *good light*, such as natural or outdoor light.

**Focus.** Note whether there are distracting elements behind the person pictured that might detract from the subject.

**Show someone DOING something.** On digital photos, make sure your camera is set on its *highest* resolution setting (the one that makes the largest digital file).

**Entry Instructions:** Entries are due May 15, 2006. Entry forms and full contest rules are available through MSU Extension offices throughout the state (visit [msuextension.org](http://msuextension.org) to locate the County or Reservation MSU Extension office nearest you), or download the rules and forms on the Web at [montana4h.org](http://montana4h.org).



## Rabies Clinic

Pass Creek 4-H Club will hold its Rabies Clinic, April 22nd from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at Haugland’s shop. Distemper shots will also be given. \$18 for Rabies. Call 388-4547 for more information.

## LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING

The Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. Bring your appetite and a few bucks for pizza. **Next meeting date is April 11, 2006.** The public is always welcome to attend, however the Council may go into Executive Session for issues of confidentiality and close the meeting to the public.

## ■ ■ ■ ■ Square Table ■ ■ ■ ■

The next leaders training square table event will be entitled, “Fun, Frolic, and 4-H: Come Play With Us!” The scheduled date is Thursday, April 27, 2006, at 6:30 pm, at the Belgrade Middle School and is open to 4-H leaders, families, and members. Our Gallatin County delegation to the Western Regional Leaders Forum will present hands on and fun activities learned at their workshops in SLC at the 2006 Forum. Plan on attending this fun and exciting time to learn new club, leadership and project ideas!

